

## **EXHIBIT 18**

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**Subject:** RE: Compass <> GEM 1 <> Core Scientific

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Correction 4,500.

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**From:** Jeff Pratt  
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Gentlemen,

Vincent and I think we can execute upon the sale of just over 2K of your units to Compass.

I will manage the hosting contracts with GEM 1, 2, and Compass.

You will work the sale of the units directly between GEM 1 and Compass.

Let's all make sure if there are any blockers to progress, we get them on the table very fast and remove them.

I would ask a favor of you. Can we work on the GEM 2 XP hosting deal while we work through the GEM 1 <> Compass deal and then come back to the table on the GEM 1 hosting deals?

Please let me know,

Jeff



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